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NATIONAL AVIATION DAY

While in Civil Air Patrol, every day holds the opportunity to be a day of aviation. For the general public, there is only one day set aside each year as a nation-wide day to celebrate the evolution of aviation.

Next month, 19 August will mark the 71st observation of National Aviation Day.

This day was first proclaimed by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt in 1939 to celebrate the development of aviation. The nineteenth was selected to commemorate the anniversary of Orville Wright's birthday. It is tradition for citizens to observe the day with activities that promote an interest in aviation.



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We encourage every wing, squadron, and every member to take advantage of National Aviation Day as an opportunity to reach out and educate the community about the advancements in aviation over the years and the valuable role that Civil Air Patrol has played in aviation history. Groups and wings can coordinate an orientation flight day to fly cadets and invite media and civilians to attend and learn about our aircraft and flight programs. Squadrons can hold an aerospace-oriented open house in place of their regular meeting during the week of 19 August. Pilots and aircrew members can schedule interviews with local reporters in order to get the word out about our aviation capabilities and emergency services.

Let us make the most of this National Aviation Day with the goal to motivate all members of our communities to become interested in exploring the wonders of flight and the possibilities that Civil Air Patrol offers in pursuing that interest.

